

WORLD WAR II

1939-1945

Events that lead up to WWII

GERMANY AFTER WWI

AFTER WORLD WAR I until HITLER BECAME CHANCELLOR

- GERMANY HAD WEAKENING of WEIMAR DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT
- HIGH STAGGERING INFLATION
- HIGH UNEMPLOYMENT
- GERMANY STRUGGLED to PAY WAR REPARATIONS(THEY WERE BROKE)

What Caused WWII?

A.G.G.R.E.S.S.I.O.N.

- World War II was caused by A.G.G.R.E.S.S.I.O.N.
- **A**=Appeasement
- Policy of giving in to demands in order to preserve the peace.
- Allied Powers(Britain & France) give in to Hitler



'Remember . . . One More Lollypop, and Then You All Go Home!'



POLICY of APPEASEMENT

- The British Prime Minister (Neville Chamberlain) hoped that the Munich Agreement 1938 would preserve "peace for our time".

G= Germans take Austria & Czechoslovakia-Sudetenland

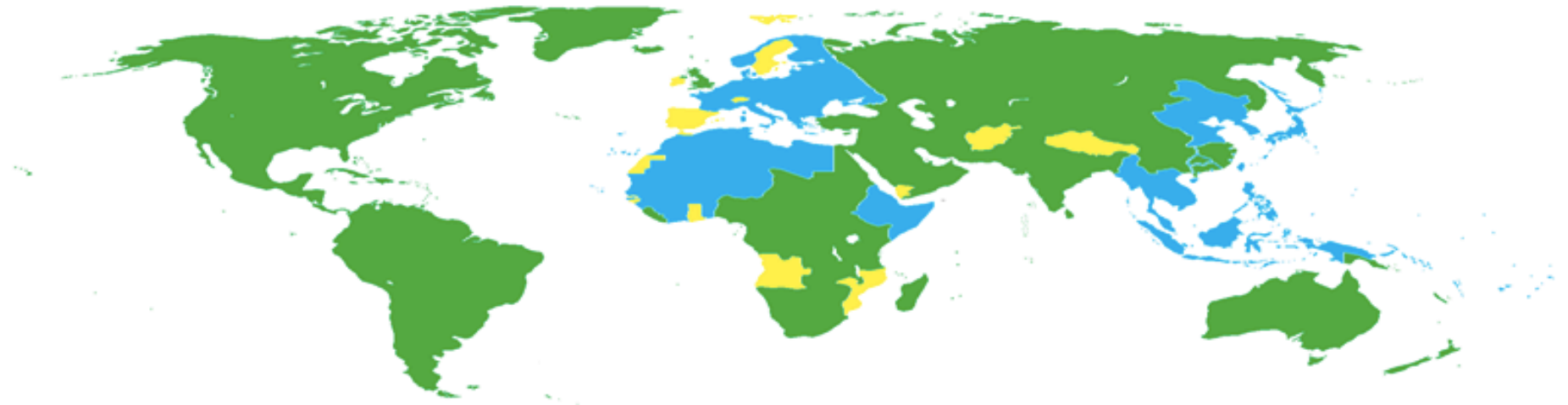


G=German Nationalism-growth of the **NAZI PARTY**



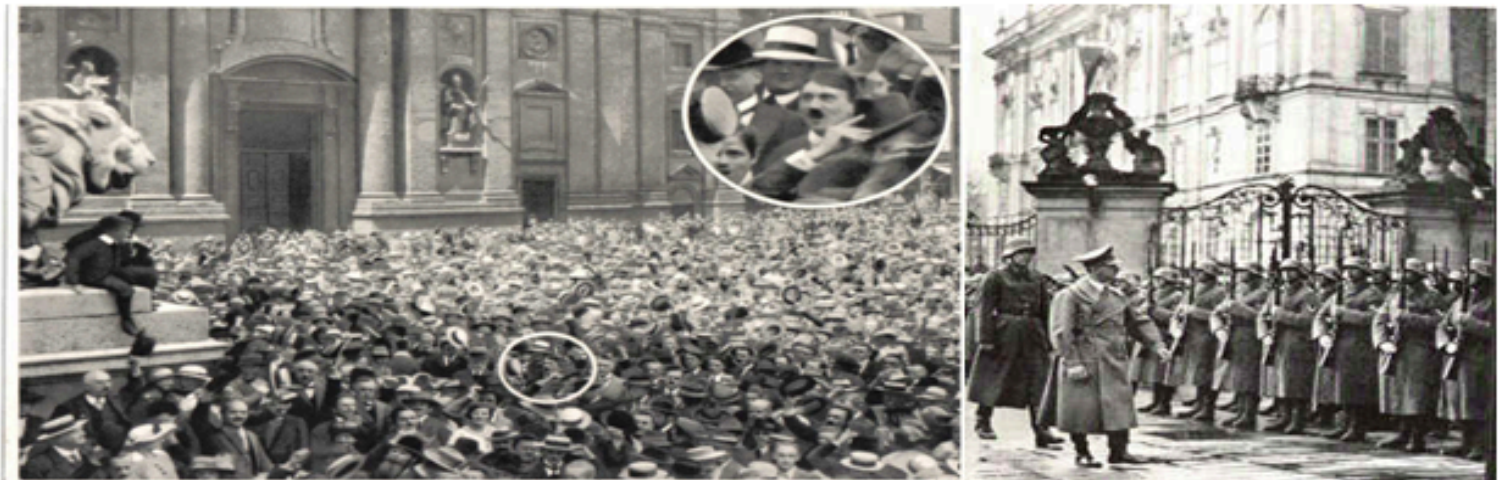
Causes of WWII (1939-1945)

- **R**=Rise of the dictators
 - Germany, Italy and Japan formed Axis Powers
- **E**=Everyone ignores League of Nations
 - No international army to stop Hitler



Causes of WWII (1939-1945)

- **S**=Sourness of Treaty of Versailles makes Germany and Italy want revenge
- **S**=Stopping Hitler out of question for Europe and U.S.
- Tendencies lean towards isolationism and pacificism



Causes of WWII (1939-1945)

- **I**=Italy wants land, invades Ethiopia
- **O**=Oh, no! Hitler invades Poland, WWII begins
- **N**=No one stops Japan in Asia **1930's**
- Japan took Korea, Manchuria & parts of China

Who were the major leaders of
World War II?

ALLIED POWERS

Franklin D. Roosevelt

PRESIDENT of
the US until 1945

Winston Churchill

British Prime

Minister Winston

Churchill promised
his people "blood,
toil, tears, and sweat"

"We shall never
surrender," he
declared.

FRANCE-LEADER of RESISTANCE- CHARLES DE GAULLE

WWII General
Dwight D.
Eisenhower

General Douglas MacArthur- Pacific General

“I shall return”

U.S. President
after FDR dies
1945-1953-
Truman

Army Chief of Staff General George C. Marshall

later served as U.S.
Secretary of State and
Secretary of Defense
and
is remembered for
his **Marshall Plan**.

Joseph Stalin-
Soviet
Dictator-
WILL
SWITCH
SIDES

AXIS POWERS

Benito
Mussolini

Italian
Fascist
Dictator

ADOLF HITLER-CHANCELLOR of GERMANY

HIDECKI TOJO-JAPAN-MILITARY LEADER

EMPEROR HIROHITO-JAPAN

What about SPAIN??

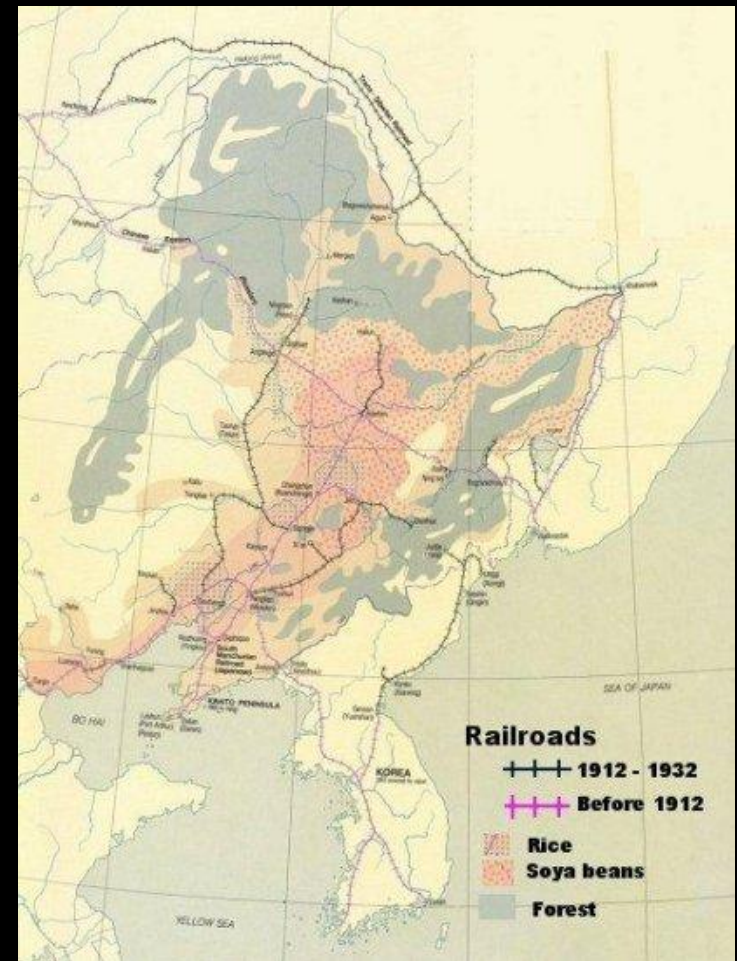
- **FRANCISCO FRANCO** rose to power during the bloody Spanish Civil War when, with the **help of Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy**, his Nationalist forces took over.
- **TOTALITARIAN DICTATOR**
- Neutral during war-but sent troops to help Germany.

BACKSTORY EUROPE

- 1938-HITLER INVADED AUSTRIA AND CZECHOSLOVAKIA
- 1938-MUNICH AGREEMENT-EUROPE ALLOWED GERMANY TO KEEP THOSE COUNTRIES IF DID NOT INVADE ANY OTHERS-APPEASEMENT
- AUGUST 1939-NON AGGRESSION PACT-HITLER AND STALIN AGREE TO NOT INVADE EACH OTHER.

JAPANESE AGGRESSION BACKSTORY

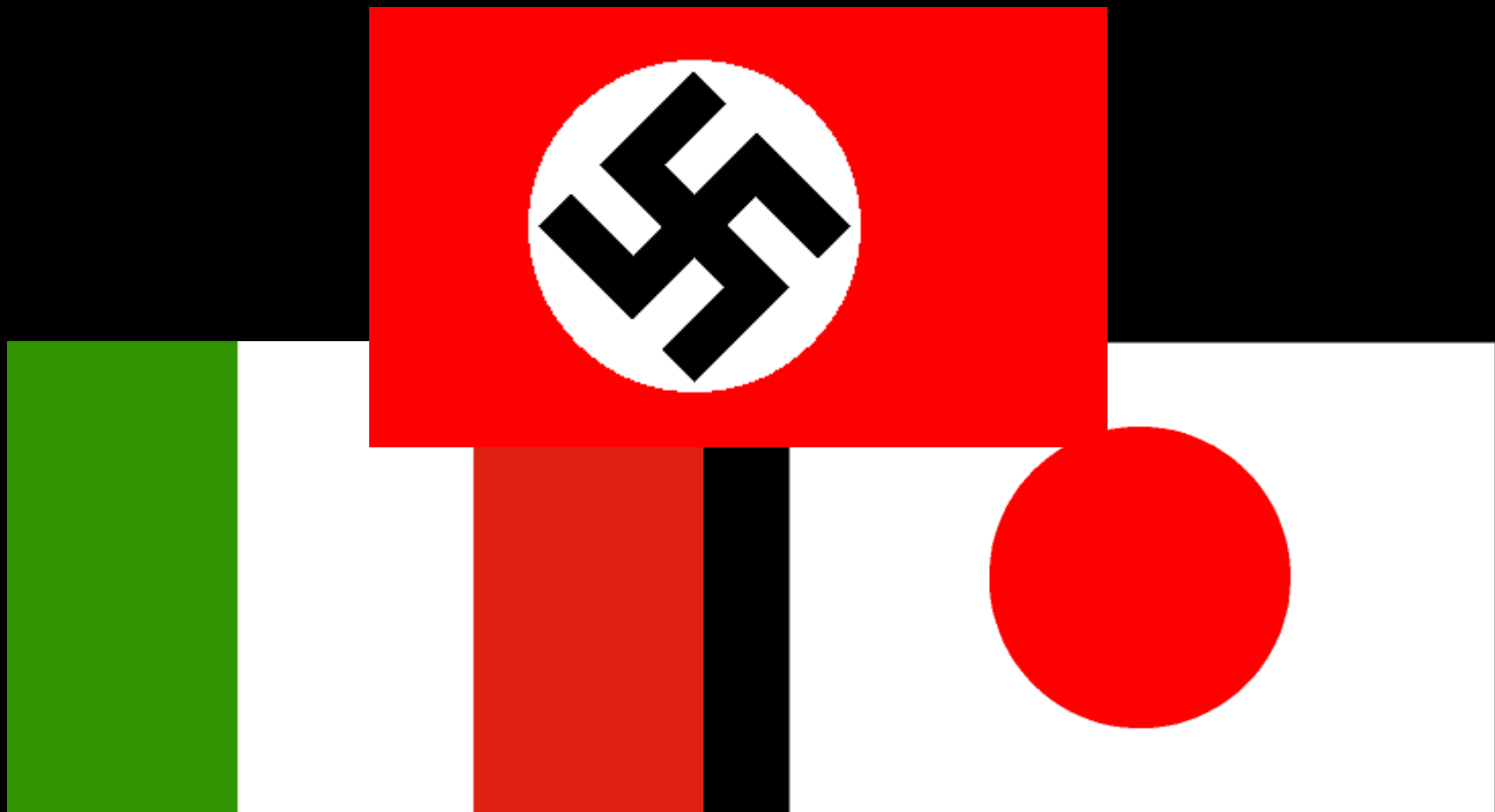
1931-The Japanese wanted **industrial raw materials** to build an economic empire in Asia, **Japanese troops seized Manchuria** (northeastern China)



The Japanese Invasion of China, 1937



The AXIS Powers –Germany,
Italy, Japan formed ALLIANCES
by 1939



The major events of
World War II
TIMELINE

On September 1, 1939, Germany
and USSR attacked Poland,
beginning World War II in Europe.

France and Britain declared war on
Germany, then waited for Hitler's
next move.

WWII BEGINS

May-June 1940

Hitler's armies swept across
France forcing a French
surrender!

May- June 3 1940-

commonly known as the

Miracle of Dunkirk-was the

evacuation of Allied soldiers

from the beaches and harbor

of Dunkirk, 338,000 rescued

to Britain

Battle of Britain-The
Blitz (Sept. 7, 1940) –
The Germans bombed
them-no land invasion

1940-Germany and Italy
attacked North Africa, then
Yugoslavia and Greece...

September 27, 1940 Japan
signed a military
alliance pact with
Germany and Italy
called the Tripartite Pact
—Axis Powers.

FDR was concerned.

June 1941,

Hitler launched a powerful
surprise attack on the
Soviet Union (for oil)-
called Battle of
Barbarossa.

Stalin joins the Allies.

1941

The Japanese sent troops into Indochina

Roosevelt responded by

1) blocking shipments of resources to Japan -
embargo

2) Did not recognize gains in China - **Stimson
Doctrine**

It was clear to the Japanese that the United States
stood between them and their plans SO...

BOOM-Attack on **PEARL HARBOR**

On December 7, 1941,
Tojo ordered an attack on the
U.S. Pacific Fleet at
Pearl Harbor -hoping it would
stop the US entering the war

Franklin D.
Roosevelt

Roosevelt called the day of the attack, December 7, "a date that will live in infamy" as the United States declared war on Japan.

WE (US) ARE IN WWII NOW!

Allies United:
U.S.S.R., Great Britain, and
The United States

In 1942, the U.S. Navy fought two important battles against the Japanese, the Battle of the Coral Sea and the Battle of Midway.

1942-The Battle of The Coral Sea

off the coast of Australia
repelled the Japanese
invasion

1942-The Battle of Midway

is the *turning point of
the war in the Pacific*

Note-aircraft carrier.

1942-After Midway, the United States and its Allies took the offensive, driving the Japanese back toward their home islands-

ISLAND HOPPING

WAR CONTINUES- Europe, North Africa and Pacific

1942-1945

Hitler's invasion of the Soviet Union-a failure as his troops got caught in the Russian winter far from their supply lines.

1942-43-The Soviets held the
German troops at the **Battle of**
Stalingrad-deadliest battle ever.
1.2 million died.

Turning point Battle in Europe

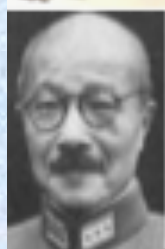
British and U.S. forces
defeated the Germans and
Italians in North
Africa-1942-El Alamein.

On June 6th, 1944

Allied forces crossed the
English Channel
into Normandy Invasion,
D-Day (Operation Overlord)
-began liberation of Europe

The Liberation of Paris:

August 25, 1944



De Gaulle in
Triumph!



Deaths of Leaders

- April 12, 1945-FDR died-Truman became President
- April 28, 1945-Mussolini killed in Italy
- April 30, 1945-Hitler committed suicide

1944-45-Germany would be defeated as Allied forces moved east while the Soviet Army moved west to join them.

Germany Surrenders
May 7, 1945-V-E Day

Pacific Island Hopping

- **Feb-June-1945-Battles of Iwo Jima and Okinawa** put U.S. closer to Japan but Truman decided to end war because Japan would not surrender

August 6, 1945, the U.S.
dropped the world's first A-
bomb on Hiroshima and August
9-Nagasaki contributed to the
Japanese unconditional
surrender.

“Victory over Japan Day” or V-J Day”

August 14, 1945, it was announced
that Japan had surrendered
unconditionally to the Allies

The term has also been used for
September 2, 1945 when Japan's
formal surrender took place aboard
the U.S.S. Missouri.



Americans
celebrate the end of
the war!

ATOMIC BOMB

- THOUSANDS DIE INSTANTLY
- THOUSANDS DIED LATER FROM RADIATION POISONING